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ACTION DEPT 520 INFO AMMAN 97 BEIRUT 179 TELAVIV 92 PARIS 26
LONDON 25 ALEPPO CAIRO KUWAIT JIDDA BAGHDAD UNN FRO M DAMASCUS 8TH.

DURING CONVERSATION ON OTHER SUBJECTS WITH [REDACTED] THIS MORNING, LATTER EXPRESSED KEEN CONCERN ABOUT
ISRAELI MILITARY INTENTIONS AT THIS TIME.

[REDACTED] TOLD ME THAT WHAT STRUCK HIM MOST, DURING
FORTNIGHT'S CONSULTATION IN PARIS, FROM WHICH HE HAS JUST
RETURNED, WAS SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH FRENCH GOVT IS CONSIDERING
POSSIBILITY OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHILE I DO NOT KNOW TO WHAT DEGREE, IF ANY, HE WAS REFLECTING FRENCH GOVT'S
THINKING [REDACTED] DEPLORED FOLLY OF SUCH ACTION
WHICH WOULD ONLY FURTHER SOLIDIFY AND STRENGTHEN ARAB HATRED OF
ISRAEL. IN HIS JUDGMENT ISRAELIS COULD MAKE NO GREATER MISTAKE
IN TERMS OF LONG-RANGE FUTURE.

I EXPRESSED GRAVE PERSONAL CONCERN OVER SITUATION BUT WAS
CAREFUL NOT TO ATTRIBUTE MY WORRIES TO OFFICIAL USG THINKING.

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